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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 28, 2007, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested.

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